

**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR VISUALLY EMPHASIZING  
NUMERICAL DATA CONTAINED WITHIN AN ELECTRONIC DOCUMENT**

**Abstract**

5           A method and apparatus are provided for visually emphasizing all of the  
numerical data contained in an electronic document. A determination is made as to  
whether a request to emphasize all of the numerical data in the electronic document has  
been received. If such a request is received, all of the numerical data within the  
electronic document is located and emphasized. Emphasizing may include adding a  
10   highlighting attribute to the located numerical data or adding other formatting to visually  
distinguish the numerical data from the remainder of the electronic document. A request  
may also be received to deemphasize the located numerical data. In response to receiving  
such a request, the emphasis is removed from the located numerical data.

